

What Is Claimed Is:

1. A data decoding recording apparatus capable of receiving and decoding a digital broadcast and recording contents of data of the received digital broadcast by a plurality
5 of recording apparatus for different recording media in response to a copy control code included in the received data, comprising:

control means for extracting and analyzing the copy control code from the received data and selecting and controlling one or those of said recording apparatus which should execute
10 a recording operation regarding the received data in response to a result of the analysis of the copy control code.

2. A data decoding recording apparatus as claimed in claim 1, wherein said recording apparatus include a hard disk drive and an optical disk apparatus, and when the copy control code
15 represents a copy-free condition, said control means controls said hard disk drive to record the contents, but when the copy control code represents permission of copying only once, said control means either controls said optical disk drive to record the contents or controls both of said hard disk drive and said
20 optical disk apparatus to record the contents.

3. A data decoding recording apparatus as claimed in claim 1, wherein the recording apparatus include a hard disk drive and a video tape recorder, and when the copy control code represents a copy-free condition, said control means controls
25 said hard disk drive to record the contents, but when the copy control code represents permission of copying only once, said

control means either controls said video tape recorder to record the contents or controls both of said hard disk drive and said video tape recorder to record the contents.

4. A data decoding recording apparatus as claimed in claim 1, wherein the recording apparatus include an optical disk apparatus and a video tape recorder, and when the copy control code represents a copy-free condition, said control means controls said video tape recorder to record the contents, but when the copy control code represents permission of copying only once, said control means either controls said optical disk apparatus to record the contents or controls both of said optical disk apparatus and said video tape recorder to record the contents.

5. A data decoding recording apparatus as claimed in claim 1, wherein the recording apparatus include a hard disk drive, an optical disk apparatus and a video tape recorder, and when the copy control code represents a copy-free condition, said control means controls said hard disk drive to record the contents, but when the copy control code represents permission of copying only once, said control means either controls one of said optical disk apparatus and said video tape recorder or both of said optical disk apparatus and said video tape recorder to record the contents or controls all of said hard disk drive, said optical disk apparatus and said video tape recorder to record the contents.

6. A data decoding recording apparatus according to claim

1, wherein, when the copy control code represents permission
of copying only once, said control means deletes any unnecessary
portion included in the contents in accordance with a rule
determined in advance and controls any of said recording
5 apparatus to copy the remaining portion of the contents.

7. A data decoding recording apparatus according to claim
1, wherein said control means controls any of said recording
apparatus to record contents whose copy control code represents
permission of copying only once and which are considered not
10 to include a commercial message portion but controls any of
said recording apparatus to record contents whose copy control
code represents a copy-free condition and which are considered
to include a commercial message portion.

8. A data decoding recording apparatus according to claim
15 1, wherein, when the copy control code represents permission
of copying only once, said control means secures two or more
sound streams as sound data recording areas for the contents
in advance and records the received sound data into the sound
data recording area for one of the sound streams but fills the
20 remaining one or more streams with a particular stuffing bit
so that sound data may be additionally recorded into the stream
or streams filled with the stuffing bits.

9. A data decoding recording apparatus according to claim
1, wherein, when the copy control code represents permission
25 of copying only once, said control means inhibits recording
into a partially erased area of a recording medium of any of

said recording apparatus and causes data to be recorded continuously to the last end of the recorded data without fail.